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City of San Diego Teams Up with the San Diego Padres to Recycle

Padres Autographed Baseball and Hat to be Raffled off to Winning Recyclers

SAN DIEGO, CAB The City of San Diego's Environmental Services Department (ESD) will join the San Diego Padres to host **Recycle Night with the San Diego Padres** on Saturday, July 19 at Qualcomm Stadium when the Padres play the Arizona Diamondbacks. Fans who bring 10 or more recyclable beverage containers to ESD's information booth, located in Padres Town (section D1 of the stadium parking lot), from 5 p.m. to game time will receive a pair of tickets to the Beach Bash at the Del Mar Thoroughbred Club and one raffle ticket to win a variety of Padres memorabilia, or the grand prize, an electric mulching lawnmower.

"By making recycling easily accessible just before game time, we hope to encourage tailgaters and other fans to recycle their beverage containers rather than throwing them in the trash," said Richard L. Hays, director of the City of San Diego Environmental Services

Department. "By joining forces with the San Diego Padres and hosting the Recycle Nights, we hope to encourage sports fans to make recycling a part of their daily routine."

Recyclables accepted at ESD's booth include aluminum cans and both glass and plastic narrow-necked beverage containers. Also at the booth will be ESD's recycling mascot, Bonita Blue Bin, who will participate in a race against the Padres Friar on the field during the game.

Raffle prize winners will be selected at Environmental Services' headquarters on Monday, July 21, 2003 and winners will be notified by phone.

Recycle Night with the San Diego Padres is jointly sponsored by the San Diego Padres, City of San Diego Environmental Services Department and the Urban Corps of San Diego. The next sports recycle event is Recycle Day with the San Diego Chargers, September 21, 2003 at Qualcomm Stadium. Additional Recycle Nights will be added throughout the year with local sports teams including the Sockers, the Aztecs, the Spirit and the Gulls. For more information on event listings, visit ESD's website at http://www.sandiego.gov/environmental-services/ or contact at (858) 694-7000.